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SUBJECT: OUTER SPACE: US-SOVIET CONSULTATIONS

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1. SOVIET FIRST SECRETARY KOKOREV CALLED ON DEPTOFFS
JANUARY 8 AT HIS REQUEST AND MADE SAME POINTS REPORTED
IN MOSCOW 251.

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2. ON JANUARY 28 DEPTOFFS CALLED IN KOKOREV AND GAVE FOLLOWING RESPONSE: A. US AGREES TO LONDON AS PLACE FOR MEETING. B. BECAUSE OF SCHEDULE COMPLICATIONS CAUSED BY CHANGING VENUE FROM WASHINGTON TO LONDON, US SIDE PROPOSES THAT TALKS BE HELD LATER IN FEBRUARY. US PREFERS WEEK BEGINNING FEBRUARY 23. SECOND AND THIRD ALTERNATIVES WOULD BE FEBRUARY 19 AND AFTER END OF INMARSAT MEETING RESPECTIVELY. C. WHILE US DELEGATION WOULD BE AVAILABLE FOR TWO FULL DAYS, IT BELIEVES TALKS COULD BE SCHEDULED AROUND INMARSAT MEETINGS AND THAT TWO FULL DAYS MIGHT NOT BE NECESSARY. D. RONALD STOWE, ASSISTANT LEGAL ADVISER FOR UN AFFAIRS, WILL HEAD US SIDE, ASSISTED BY THREE OR FOUR OTHERS.

3. DEPTOFFS ALSO GAVE KOKOREV COPY OF REVISED AGENDA, AND INDICATED THAT SOVIET TOPIC OF GEOSTATIONARY ORBITS COULD BE INCLUDED IN DISCUSSION UNDER AGENDA ITEM IV. TEXT OF REVISED AGENDA HANDED KOKOREV FOLLOWS:

REVISED DRAFT AGENDA FOR US-USSR CONSULTATION:

I. DRAFT TREATY OF THE MOON:
EXCHANGE OF OPINIONS ON THE PRINCIPAL REMAINING PROBLEMS, IN PARTICULAR THOSE RELATING TO THE LEGAL STATUS OF THE NATURAL RESOURCES OF THE MOON . . . AND TO ACTIVITIES RELATED TO THOSE RESOURCES, AND APPROACHES TO THE QUESTION OF AN INTERNATIONAL REGIME.

II. DIRECT TELEVISION BROADCASTING BY SATELLITE:

EXCHANGE OF OPINIONS ON THE PRINCIPAL PROBLEMS INVOLVED, IN PARTICULAR THE APPLICABILITY AND SCOPE OF PRINCIPLES AND QUESTIONS RELATED TO THE RIGHTS AND DUTIES OF STATES.

III. REMOTE SENSING OF THE EARTH:

EXCHANGE OF OPINIONS IN PARTICULAR WITH REGARD TO THE APPLICABILITY AND SCOPE OF PROPOSED PRINCIPLES, QUESTIONS RELATED TO DISSEMINATION OF DATA, AND THE LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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CHARACTER AND FUNCTION OF FUTURE ACTIVITIES BY THE UN OR OTHER INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS IN THIS FIELD.

IV. DEFINITION OR DELIMITATION OF OUTER SPACE:

EXCHANGE OF OPINIONS ON THE NEED FOR INTERNATIONAL CONSIDERATION OF THIS ISSUE AND ON THE TACTICS TO BE ADOPTED IN THE OUTER SPACE COMMITTEE AND ITS BODIES

WHEN DISCUSSING THIS ITEM.

V. (A) FURTHER COOPERATIVE STEPS IN GIVING EFFECT TO
ARTICLE IV OF THE 1972 AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE U.S.A.
AND THE U.S.S.R. CONCERNING COOPERATION IN THE
EXPLORATION AND USE OF OUTER SPACE FOR PEACEFUL PURPOSES;
(B) FUTURE WORK OF THE LEGAL SUBCOMMITTEE; DISCUSSION
OF POSSIBLE NEW AGENDA ITEMS.

4. EMBASSY MAY, AS APPROPRIATE, REPEAT POINTS MADE IN
PARAS 2 AND 3 ABOVE TO FOREIGN OFFICE TOGETHER WITH
TEXT OF REVISED AGENDA. KISSINGER

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